FIRST RACE

Thistledown

6 FURLONGS. (1.08[2]) CLAIMING . Purse $17,000 (includes $3,900 OTF – Ohio Thoroughbred Fund) FOR REGISTERED OHIO FOALS THREE YEAR OLDS AND UPWARD WHICH HAVE NOT WON A RACE SINCE JUNE 16. Three Year Olds, 119 lbs.; Older, 123 lbs. Claiming Price $7,500. (Clear. 73.)

JUNE 16, 2026

Value of Race: $17,000 Winner $10,200; second $3,400; third $1,700; fourth $850; fifth $510; sixth $170; seventh $170. Mutuel Pool $29,329.00 Exacta Pool $21,026.00 Trifecta Pool $11,967.00 Superfecta Pool $7,589.00

Last Raced	Horse	M/Eqt.	A.	Wt	PP	St	¼	½	Str	Fin	Jockey	Cl'g Pr	Odds $1
2Jun26 4Tdn[2]	Sweet Lemon Drop	L f	8	123	5	6	5 1½	4hd	1hd	1nk	Gomez A	7500	2.10
30Sep25 5Tdn[5]	Dr. Zarnett	L b	9	123	3	5	7	5½	2hd	2 2¼	Keiser C	7500	4.60
3Jun26 6Tdn[4]	Biscuits and Grits	L	8	123	4	2	6½	7	5[2]	3 1¾	Tapara B	7500	4.40
3Jun26 6Tdn[5]	Gottomakeithappen	L	5	123	1	4	1hd	1½	3 1½	4[3]	Parker D L	7500	33.00
3Jun26 6Tdn[2]	Private Drive	L bf	10	123	7	1	3 1½	2hd	4hd	5 1½	Chavez A	7500	5.60
3Jun26 6Tdn[3]	Gone in a Flash	L	7	123	2	7	4½	6½	7	6 3¾	Bowen R	7500	2.90
3Jun26 8Tdn[4]	Weekend Buzz	L b	8	123	6	3	2[2]	3[1]	6[1]	7	Diaz A I	7500	8.10

OFF AT 12:55 Start Good. Won driving. Track fast.

TIME :22[3], :46[4], :59[4], 1:13 (:22.66, :46.98, :59.92, 1:13.00)

$2 Mutuel Prices:

5 – SWEET LEMON DROP	**6.20**	**3.20**	**2.60**
3 – DR. ZARNETT		**4.60**	**4.20**
4 – BISCUITS AND GRITS			**3.60**

$1 EXACTA 5–3 PAID $15.50 50 CENT TRIFECTA 5–3–4 PAID $31.00 20 CENT SUPERFECTA 5–3–4–1 PAID $95.56

B. g, (Mar), by Mobil – Lemonesque , by Lemon Drop Kid . Trainer Juarez–Mendoza Rey. Bred by Mapleton Thoroughbred Farm (Ohio).

SWEET LEMON DROP settled four wide down the backstretch, rallied outside rivals to make the lead at the top of the stretch, dug in gamely when challenged by the runner up before the furlong marker and proved best under right handed urging. DR. ZARNETT trailed early, circled his field through the turn, drew on near even terms for the lead with the winner nearing the furlong marker, battled to the wire but was denied. BISCUITS AND GRITS unhurried early, finished with good courage four wide. GOTTOMAKEITHAPPEN set a pressured pace along the inside to the top of the stretch and weakened late. PRIVATE DRIVE offered a mild bid three wide nearing the quarter pole then came up empty. GONE IN A FLASH failed to respond. WEEKEND BUZZ pressed the early pace two wide and was through after a half.

Owners– 1, Eyerman Lee J; 2, Meyers Judy; 3, Ruberto Louis V; 4, Syd Racing LLC; 5, Winters Michelle; 6, Siesta Thoroughbred Racing; 7, Valls Thoroughbreds LLC

Trainers– 1, Juarez-Mendoza Rey; 2, Meyers Shane; 3, Ruberto Louis V; 4, Johnson Gary L; 5, Winters Michelle; 6, Zielinski Richard; 7, Calderon Ivan